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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 10/12/2005.

CHANGES TO THE SPECIFICATION

As the Examiner had noted, a considerable number of minor errata had been found in the patent application – due in large part to the considerable troubles of translating equations and associated text across both hardware and software platforms, finding (the hard way) differences in purportedly ‘standard’ fonts, and from translations between formal equation editing tools to word-processing tools, despite the best efforts to proof-read computer-produced print.

This time, far more effort has been made to catch typographic errors, which in many cases may resolve the Examiner’s objections and rejections. A complete hardcopy of the text is attached with textual deletions marked by ~~striketrough~~ and additions marked by [brackets]. For clarity, most single-word typographic errors, in-equation font changes, or additions of a missing space, show the word (or equation) replaced in entirety.

A number of mis-types, conversion errors, and subscript errors were found. The chief concern remaining is that typographic corrections to Equations did not always lend themselves to accurately signalling a by using bracketing, for some of the equations used brackets. A considerable effort was made to use italicized, bold-faced, and **enlarged** text (chiefly for the variables, functions, and their combinations) to make the equations more readable, particularly where an equation required use of an insertion from a subordinate word-processing application specifically designed for equations (MathType).